



# CALEDONIA MINNESOTA

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## A CITY FOR ALL SEASONS

**City of Caledonia**  
**231 East Main Street, Caledonia, MN 55921**  
**Phone: 507-725-3450**  
**[www.caledoniamn.gov](http://www.caledoniamn.gov)**

**New Resident Guide**

*Updated March 2020*

The City of Caledonia would like to welcome you to our city. The following is a list of city officials, departments, organizations, and other information about the City's services.

Clerk/ Administrator	Adam Swann - 725-3450
Ambulance Department	Mike Tornstrom – 725-5754
Public Works/ Zoning Director	Casey Klug – 725-3450
Finance Officer	Stephanie Mann - 725-3450
Accounts Receivable	Jessica Kohnen – 725-3450
Accounts Payable/ Payroll	Dorothy Ranzenberger – 725-3450
Assistant to Clerk/ Administrator	Carson Coffield – 725-3450
Electric Department	Matt Blocker (Line Foreman) 725-3323 Nathan Becker (Lineman)
Water/ Wastewater Supervisor	Craig Nelson - 725-3402
Water/ Wastewater Operator	Eli Craig - 725-3402
Street Department	Mark Betz – 725-2060 Dan Schwirtz
Custodian	Peter Muenkel - 725-3450
Police Department	Chief Kurt Zehnder – 725-3889
Administrative Assistant	Kayla Snell – 725-3889
Municipal Liquor Store	Joseph Holten – 725-3988
Public Library	Stephanie Eggert - 725-2671
Caledonia Public Schools	Superintendent Craig Ihrke – 725-3389
Acentek	Phone/ TV/ Internet - 1-188-404-4940
Mediacom	Phone/ TV/ Internet – 1-855-633-4226
U.S. Postal Service	P.O. box/ Mailbox Info – (507) 725-3421

### **ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING**

The alternate side parking winter period shall be from and including November 1 through and including March 31. City Code requires that when parking on any public roadway between 1AM and 6AM (early morning hours) park on the even-numbered side of any public roadway on even-numbered days and the odd-numbered side of any public roadway on odd-numbered days. Violators may be fined and/or towed. Alternate side parking regulations apply regardless of weather conditions. Alternate side parking regulations do not apply to those streets in which parking is allowed on one side only. If you have any questions, please call the Caledonia Police Department at (507) 725-3889.



### **AQUATIC CENTER**

The Aquatic Center is open from June through mid-August and provides a variety of swimming activities for the entire family. It offers swimming lessons, early bird, day swim, night swim, adult swim, and Zumba classes. The Aquatic Center is also available to reserve for private pool parties. Please call City Hall at 725-3450 to make reservations.

### **ATV LICENSE**

If you would like to obtain an ATV license, please visit the Caledonia Police Department at 304 E. Main St. to submit an application. The cost is \$25 and must be renewed annually.



### **AUDITORIUM**

The City of Caledonia is fortunate to have an auditorium. This facility can be used for exercising or walking and may be rented for special occasions. The auditorium is also the polling place for city elections. To find out more about reserving the auditorium for an event, please contact City Hall at 725-3450.

### **BUSINESS DUMPSTERS**

No garbage shall be disposed of in a business dumpster, except by the business itself. Violators will be fined. Dumpsters are only for the use of the business that pays for them.

### **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

The Caledonia Area Chamber of Commerce is focused on being the voice of the business community by promoting our community and public policy that supports growth of existing businesses, and attracts new business and residents to our community.



P.O. Box 62, Caledonia, Minnesota 55921  
E-Mail: [caledoniacoc@gmail.com](mailto:caledoniacoc@gmail.com)  
Phone: (507) 725-5477  
Website: [caledoniachamberofcommerce.com](http://caledoniachamberofcommerce.com)

## **CHURCHES**

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
419 E. Grove St.  
(507) 725-3123

United Methodist Church  
308 N. Kingston St.  
(507) 725-2815

St. John's Lutheran Church  
620 N. Kingston St.  
(507) 725-3228

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
513 S. Pine St.  
(507) 725-3804

## **CITY CODE**

If you have any questions about the City of Caledonia's ordinances, please visit:  
[www.caledoniamn.gov/city-government/city-council/city-code/](http://www.caledoniamn.gov/city-government/city-council/city-code/) for more information.

## **CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor DeWayne "Tank" Schroeder  
Councilmember Paul Fisch  
Councilmember David Fitzpatrick  
Councilmember Brad Rykhus  
Councilmember Randi Vick



The Caledonia City Council meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month, unless that Monday is a holiday, then the meeting is on the following Tuesday. The meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 231 E. Main St. at 6PM. If these dates and times are changed, notices are posted at City Hall.

## **CITY HALL HOURS**

Sunday	Closed
Monday	8AM - 5PM
Tuesday	8AM - 5PM
Wednesday	8AM - 5PM
Thursday	8AM - 5PM
Friday	8AM - 5PM
Saturday	Closed

## **PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS**

Sunday	Closed
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	10AM - 8PM
Wednesday	10AM - 8PM
Thursday	10AM - 8PM
Friday	10AM - 5PM
Saturday	10AM - 2PM

## **MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORE HOURS**

Sunday	11AM - 4PM
Monday	9AM - 9PM
Tuesday	9AM - 9PM
Wednesday	9AM - 9PM
Thursday	9AM - 9PM
Friday	9AM - 10PM
Saturday	9AM - 10PM

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT HOURS**

Sunday	Closed
Monday	8AM - 12PM, 1PM - 5PM
Tuesday	8AM - 12PM, 1PM - 5PM
Wednesday	8AM - 12PM, 1PM - 5PM
Thursday	8AM - 12PM, 1PM - 5PM
Friday	8AM - 12PM, 1PM - 5PM
Saturday	Closed

## **CITY UTILITIES**

The City of Caledonia provides electric, water, sewer, stormwater, garbage, recycling, and street lighting service to residents. Bills are mailed by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month and are due by the

10<sup>th</sup> of the month.

The City of Caledonia currently accepts cash, checks, money orders, automatic account withdrawal, debit and credit cards, and online bill pay. Any credit transaction is subject to a 3% fee. Payments may be mailed to 231 E. Main St. or dropped off in the drop box at City Hall. If mailing your payment, please allow 3-5 business days for your payment to be received. A late fee will be applied to a payment received after the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.



Bills may also be paid online at <https://www.caledoniamn.gov/pay-bills/>.

In order to stop or start utility service, please stop by City Hall during regular business hours. Renters are required to provide a \$250 utility deposit.



### **CLINICS**

Mayo Clinic Health System – Franciscan Healthcare  
701 N Sprague St., Caledonia, MN 5921  
(507) 725-3353

Gundersen Orthopedic Clinic  
405 S Hwy 44, MN-76, Caledonia, MN 55921  
(608) 775-4765

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

The Caledonia Economic Development Authority was established in 1992 and exists to support local businesses, attract new businesses, and promote the economic climate in the City of Caledonia. The EDA and City offer a variety of financial incentives for both new and existing businesses, including low-interest loans, commercial rehabilitation loans (façade improvement), tax abatement, and tax-increment financing. If you are an individual or business looking to start or expand a business in the City of Caledonia, please contact the EDA for more information about how the EDA and the City can support your project.

### **EDA BOARD MEMBERS**

President Matt Schuldt  
Vice President Jon Hagerott  
Mayor DeWayne Schroeder  
Commissioner Francis Myhre  
Commissioner Harley Meiners  
Commissioner Amanda Ninneman  
Councilmember Randi Vick



### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Caledonia Fire Department was established in 1889 and has a Class 4 ISO rating. The department's members are ready 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and respond to approximately 40 calls each year. Every October, members participate in Fire Prevention

Week, providing fire safety information to elementary school students. The department is always accepting applications for those interested in becoming a firefighter.



### **GARBAGE & RECYLING COLLECTION**

Curbside pickup of garbage is every Monday at 7AM. If Monday falls on a state or federal holiday, garbage is picked up on Tuesday. Garbage must be put into a yellow Richard's Sanitation garbage bag. These can be purchased at Quillin's IGA.



The recycling items should be put out in paper bags or other appropriate bins with your regular garbage. It is picked up in conjunction with the weekly refuse.

Recyclable items include: glass bottles/jars; metal cans; plastic bottles/jars; paper, newsprint, junk mail, magazines and boxboard (cereal, chip, cake boxes, etc.) and corrugated cardboard.

To prepare recyclables, remove caps/lids, rinse cans, bottles, and jars; there is no need to remove labels. No plastic bags or Styrofoam. Flatten cardboard and paper board.

### **GAS UTILITY COMPANY INFORMATION**

Minnesota Energy Resources

24-Hour Customer Service:	1-800-889-9508
24-Hour Gas Emergency:	1-800-889-4970
Call Before You Dig:	1-800-252-1166
Home Services:	1-800-889-3479

### **HOUSTON COUNTY RECYLING CENTER**

This site has been established for Houston County residents only. **14750 Richard's Road** - Turn west off of Highway #44 by Evergreen Cemetery. Go approximately 1 mile; take private driveway right off of the curve.

- **Hours**
  - Wednesday 10AM - 6PM
  - Saturday 8AM - 3PM



For further information, please contact Houston County Environmental Services at 507-725-5800 or Houston County Recycling (507) 896-2535.

### **LICENSED CHILDCARE PROVIDERS (EFFECTIVE 05/2019)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>
Beckman, Brenda	218 W. Caledonia Street	482-6310
Diersen, Nancy	9692 County 249	724-2552
Felten, Dawn	225 Cardinal Road	725-2046

Ferring, Margie	County Road 1	724-2500
Grohman, Elaine	122 Sunset Drive	724-5340
Kids Corner Daycare	519 Old Hwy Drive	725-8909
Klinski, Beth	7960 Giblin Drive	724-2923
Kumpf, Wendy	621 N. Kingston Street	(507) 429-3137
Meyer, Beverly	14102 State 76	725-8882
Renk, Brianna	216 N Sunnyside Drive	(608) 304-9941
Rud, Stacy	12521 Katrina Drive	725-5757
Schuldt, Cindy	721 Center Street	725-3926
Vonderohe, Diane	109 S. Winnebago Street	725-4653
Welscher, Sandra	1025 E. Grant Street	725-3479
Whitmore, Rachel	614 S. Badger Street	(563) 419-8949

## **NEWS**

The *Caledonia Argus* is the hometown newspaper for Caledonia. The *Caledonia Argus* publishes the City's legal notices, public hearings, updates to the City ordinances, council meetings, and other updates from the City of Caledonia. The *Argus* is published every Wednesday.



## **PET LICENSE & LEASH ORDINANCE**

All dogs and cats are required to be licensed. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required before any license is issued. There is a \$10.00 per animal fee for a license. There is a \$2.00 discount if your pet is spayed or neutered. You can purchase your pet license at the Caledonia Police Department. Private ownership cannot exceed three of either species.



Every owner or keeper of any animal shall keep such animal upon the premises of such owner or keeper, or secured by a leash. A fine plus boarding will be charged to the owner of any animal found at large. Proof of rabies vaccination will be required before the animal is released to the owner.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Caledonia Police Department prides itself on being a community-oriented department. They work closely with youth and City residents to ensure the future and safety of the Caledonia area. If you have any questions, please call the office, as the police chief or any of the officers will be able to assist you. Non-Emergency Phone: 725-3889



## **PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The Caledonia Public Library offers thousands of books, magazines, DVDs, and more. They also have a local history section, including a microfilm collection of past Caledonia newspapers. They offer regular programming to our patrons, from birth to adult. The library is also





connected with SELCO, one of Minnesota's 12 regional public library systems. They have access to over 3.5 million items within the system and even more statewide.



### **PUBLIC WORKS**

The City of Caledonia Public Works Department is responsible for providing those that live in the City proper street maintenance and sewer services, storm drainage, street lighting, and more.

### **SCHOOLS**

Caledonia Area High School  
825 N. Warrior Avenue  
(507) 725-3316  
Cps.k12.mn.us

St. John's Lutheran School  
720 N. Marshall St.  
(507) 725-3412  
Stjohnscal.org



Caledonia Area Elementary School  
511 W. Main St.  
(507) 725-5205  
Cps.k12.mn.us

St. Mary's Catholic School  
308 E. South St.  
(507) 725-3355  
Churchofstmary.net

### **TREE DISPOSAL SITE**

Yard waste may be disposed of at the City's tree disposal site. Yard waste must be contained within biodegradable paper bags. No plastic bags are permitted. The Tree Disposal Site is open from April 1 - November 1. There is no fee to use the tree disposal site for City residents.

Directions: Take County Road east of Caledonia, then turn right onto County Road 32.

### **TREE DISPOSAL SITE HOURS**

Sunday	Closed
Monday	10AM - 4PM
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	10AM - 4PM
Thursday	Closed
Friday	Closed
Saturday	9AM - 4PM



### **PARKS**

The City of Caledonia offers a variety of park and recreational opportunities within the community, enabling residents to take advantage of the natural amenities that are available in the area.



**Veterans Memorial Recreational Area:** The park is located in the northern portion of Caledonia and contains a number of different facilities, including both a baseball and softball field, a pickleball court, concession stand, aquatic center, three shelters, lighted basketball court, 3 large play sets that



serve different age groups, 6 pieces of free-standing equipment, and restrooms.

**North Park:** The park contains 2 shelters, restrooms, 2 pieces of play equipment, and the Earthwalkers Memorial display. North Park is used in the winter as a sledding park. The park also contains the seasonal signs, flags, and flowers that welcome visitors entering the community from the east on State Highways 76 and 44.

**Gazebo Park:** The park contains a gazebo, picnic tables, and two pieces of play equipment. Given its central location immediately adjacent to the downtown, this park serves as a focal point for a number of community activities including Music in the Park, Children's Fun Fest, Founder's Day, readings from the library, and an occasional petting zoo.

**South Park:** The park is located on Adams Street in the southernmost portion of the community. South Park contains a shelter with picnic tables, benches, and two pieces of play equipment.



**Sprague Woods:** It is an approximately 8-acre wooded parcel located at the intersection of State Highways 76 and 44. This parcel was donated to the City in 2006 and has a walking trail.

**Other Parks:** The public elementary school facility located at 511 W. Main St. in the center of the Caledonia community offers a large open space with basketball courts and soccer fields. The school grounds also offer four pieces of play equipment that receive use by students and the general public.

The Caledonia Middle/High School Complex has a 1-mile walking trail around the complex that includes views of prairie grasses and flowers.



### ZONING APPLICATION

Are you planning an addition or remodel to your home or property? Be sure to contact City Hall to see if you need to fill out a zoning application.

Zoning applications are needed for homes, home additions, garages, accessory buildings, decks, patios, fences, etc. If you are unsure whether or not you need a zoning application, please call City Hall at (507) 725-3450 and ask.